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Dear Director Snow:

l understand that all of the alternatives now under consideration involve engineering solutions to the present state of the Bay and Delta.

I urge you to reject all such alternatives in favor of economic and conservation alternatives. Simply requiring agricultural water districts to pay the cost of delivering the water to them would insure that conservation would be undertaken. As a matter of fairness to the taxpayers of this country, these districts should also be required to pay the costs of construction of present water delivery systems -- originally required but long overlooked in reality. This would not only result in water conservation but would necessitate the removal of marginal lands from agriculture, eliminating subsidies for surplus crops, reducing run-off pollution and restoring wildlife habitat.

Please send me a copy of the Draft Plan so I may review it in detail.

Very truly yours,

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